

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL JOINT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WITH FAITH COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES
HUTCHINS STREET SQUARE, 125 S. HUTCHINS STREET
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2005**

A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The Special Joint City Council meeting with Faith Community representatives of November 30, 2005, was called to order by Mayor Beckman at 12:07 p.m.

Present: Council Members – Hansen, Johnson, Mounce, and Mayor Beckman

Absent: Council Members – Hitchcock

Also Present: City Manager King, City Attorney Schwabauer, and City Clerk Blackston

B. TOPIC(S)

B-1 “Discussion of items of mutual concern”

Marianne Weethee of Heartland Community Church provided the invocation, following which attendees participated in a luncheon.

Mayor Beckman thanked members of the faith community for the many important services, comfort, and guidance they provide to the residents of Lodi. He explained that, each year, the Mayor is given the privilege of selecting recipients for the annual Community Service Award. The presentation is traditionally done at the reorganization meeting of the City Council (i.e. the first regularly scheduled meeting in December each year). Mayor Beckman announced that he had selected the faith community of Lodi to receive the 2005 Mayor's Community Service Award. He then presented awards to each of the 25 religious organizations that had representatives in attendance.

Council Member Hansen commended Mayor Beckman for his decision in selecting the faith community for this year's Community Service Award. He thanked attendees for providing invocations at City Council meetings, as well as for their collaborative efforts and community programs which greatly benefit the City.

Note: Council Member Hansen left the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Major Frank Severs of the Lodi Salvation Army expressed thanks for the religious freedom he enjoys and for the support shown by other churches in the community for the Salvation Army.

Mayor Beckman thanked Arnold Chin of Fritz Chin Photography for providing his services today, following which all attendees gathered for a group photo.

C. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

Susan J. Blackston
City Clerk